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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Sections 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the following information is set forth in compliance with Applicants' duty of disclosure, as well as the duty of others substantively involved in the preparation of the above-titled application.

The Applicants and others substantively involved in the preparation of the application are aware of the publications, cited on the enclosed PTO-1449 form and have enclosed copies of the cited references.

The present statement reflects the direct knowledge of the undersigned and information disclosed to the undersigned by the Applicants and others

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Pursuant to the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, Chapter 609, Applicants request that the Examiner consider each of the listed documents and initial and return to the undersigned a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form (submitted in duplicate).

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Respectfully submitted,

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